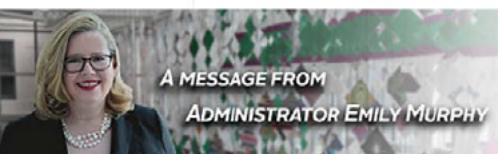


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## Trent Benishek Appointed GSA General Counsel



Administrator Murphy today [announced Trent Benishek has been appointed General Counsel of GSA.](#)

Trent joins GSA from the Office of White House Counsel, where he served as Special Assistant to the President and Associate Counsel to the

President.

## Training Available for New HR Links Time, Leave Upgrade



Learn to navigate the updated time and leave module by attending [HR Links Upgrade](#)

[Time & Leave Training](#). Classes are available for both employees and supervisors. In addition, check out new step-by-step instructions on

using the updated module for [employees](#) and [supervisors](#). Visit the HR Links [support page](#) for contact information.

## U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Move Saves \$2.1M



GSA's Heartland Region managed a relocation in only 45 days from GSA's Goodfellow

Federal Center to the Charles F. Prevedel Federal Building in St. Louis for the [U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs' Veterans Benefits](#)

[ADMINISTRATIVE](#). The VBA's new Occupancy Agreement in federally owned space consolidates their footprint, saves \$2.1 million dollars in

annual rent and eliminates the need for a new lease agreement of approx. \$3-4 million dollars annually.

## Hatch Act Frequently Asked Questions: Social Media



These FAQs are designed to provide you with answers to some timely questions

that arise regarding the Hatch Act. The fifth week deals with social media. The question is: What should an employee do if someone posts or

"tweets" a message soliciting political contributions to a partisan group or candidate in a partisan race, or a link to the political contribution page

for such entities, on the employee's social media page? [Visit GSA's site](#) to read the answer and learn more about the Hatch Act.

## Covid, Travel Challenges FAS Customer Account Manager

Tom Green is a FAS Customer Account Manager in Region 10. Read [his personal story](#) of the



impact COVID-19 had on his family.

## Trick or ... Meet?



You receive a pop-up notification that Anonymous wants to join your Google Meets. Do you:

**A** - Let Anonymous enter. It's probably part of a co-worker's Halloween act.

**B** - Let Anonymous enter, **but keep an eye on her**. Someone may have invited her; how else could she get the meeting ID?

C - Reject Anonymous. Only accept invited guests.

If you chose C, not only are you (C)orrect, but you're #(C)yberSmart. Check out [this infographic](#) to keep your video conferences secure.

## Photo of the Day



Gaylen Hansen's 1980 oil on canvas painting, "[Images of Palouse](#)," is

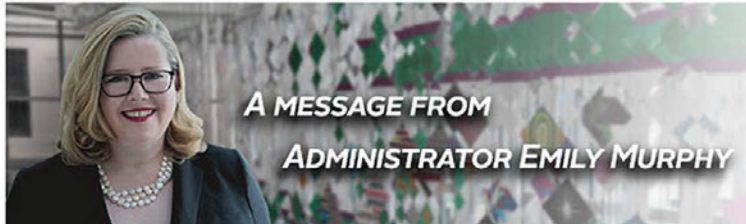
exhibited at the USDA, Natural Resources Conservation Service Headquarters in Moscow, Idaho. It was commissioned through GSA's Art in

Architecture Program.

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Dear GSA,

I am pleased to share that Trent Benishek has been appointed General Counsel of GSA. Trent joins GSA from the Office of White House Counsel, where he served as Special Assistant to the President and Associate Counsel to the President. I know Trent's legal expertise and experience will further GSA's role as a leader in procurement, real estate, and technology services for the entire federal government.

While serving in the Office of White House Counsel, Trent supervised oversight matters involving eight Federal agencies and, among other duties, managed matters involving the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Ethics in Government Act, Federal Tort Claims Act, and Freedom of Information Act. Previously, Trent worked as an attorney at Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP in Washington, D.C. for eight years.

A native of Wisconsin, Trent holds a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Wisconsin–Madison and a Juris Doctor from the William & Mary School of Law.

Please join me in welcoming Trent to GSA as our General Counsel.

Sincerely,  
Emily



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